# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Monday 21 Sep 2020 until 23:59 on Tuesday 22 Sep 2020

Forecast Issued on Sunday 20 Sep 2020 at 12:14 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for decreasing visibility through Monday and for a windy spell on Tuesday. Lower confidence in the detail from midweek.

**Headline for Monday 21 Sep 2020:** Blustery southwest winds bring thickening cloud and poor visibility.

**Mountain weather hazards on Monday 21 Sep 2020**

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| **Blizzards**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy Snow**<br>No Likelihood | **Storm force winds**<br>No Likelihood |
| **Gales**<br>No Likelihood | **Severe chill effect**<br>Low Likelihood | **Poor visibility**<br>Medium Likelihood |
| **Thunderstorms**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy persistent rain**<br>No Likelihood | **Strong sunlight**<br>No Likelihood |

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | | | |
| 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Partly cloudy (night) | Partly cloudy (night) | Sunny intervals | Cloudy | Mist | Fog | Fog | Fog |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | | | |
| 00% | 00% | 00% | <05% | <05% | 10% | 30% | 30% |

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**Weather:** Dry with a few clear spells through the early hours. Then a dry and bright start with some sunshine but cloud will soon thicken from the west. Poor visibility will become an increasing feature through the day as low cloud across the west coast spreads east and descends. Patchy drizzle may develop through afternoon and evening across Mull and Lochaber

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 70% at first, falling to generally 10% as cloud becomes extensive above 500-700m, often lower along the west coast. Best of the breaks across The Trossachs.

**Visibility:** Best visibility across eastern ranges and on lower slopes, but generally limited to a kilometre or less at modest heights due to thick cloud.

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**Forecast for Monday 21 Sep 2020**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) | | | | | Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | 24/30 S | 27/35 S | 26/33 S | 25/33 SW | 24/33 SW | 24/34 SW | 20/28 SW | 20/27 SW | 23/31 S |
| **900** | 19/25 S | 20/27 S | 19/27 SW | 18/26 SW | 20/29 SW | 20/29 SW | 17/25 SW | 17/24 SW | 19/27 SW |
| **600** | 20/25 S | 23/29 S | 23/30 SW | 20/27 SW | 20/29 SW | 20/29 SW | 18/26 SW | 18/25 SW | 21/29 SW |
| **300** | 9/14 S | 10/15 S | 8/15 S | 10/17 SW | 12/20 SW | 11/19 SW | 10/16 SW | 9/17 S | 11/19 S |
| **Glen** | 8/15 S | 7/15 S | 7/15 S | 9/18 SW | 10/20 SW | 10/19 SW | 9/18 SW | 8/17 SW | 8/18 S |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | 6/1 | 5/-0 | 4/-2 | 4/-2 | 4/-1 | 4/-1 | 4/-1 | 4/-1 | 4/-1 |
| **900** | 7/3 | 6/2 | 6/2 | 7/2 | 8/3 | 8/3 | 7/3 | 7/3 | 7/2 |
| **600** | 10/7 | 9/5 | 8/4 | 8/5 | 9/6 | 9/6 | 9/5 | 9/5 | 9/5 |
| **300** | 12/10 | 11/9 | 10/8 | 11/9 | 12/10 | 12/10 | 11/9 | 11/9 | 11/9 |
| **Glen** | 12/10 | 11/10 | 11/9 | 13/11 | 14/12 | 14/12 | 13/11 | 12/11 | 12/11 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 2000m | 2100m | 2100m | 2100m | 2300m | 2700m | 2600m | 2400m | 2400m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**

Poor visibility will hamper navigation on higher ground, especially in the west north and west where it will be most persistent.

**Forecast for Tuesday 22 Sep 2020**

**Weather:** A largely dry but cloudy start but low pressure moving close to northwest Scotland brings a spell of heavier rain from late morning as well as gale force winds. Frequent showers will follow through afternoon and evening, these turning increasingly wintry above 1100m.

**Maximum wind:** Southwest 25-35 gusting up to 55mph through the middle of the day. Veering West 15-20mph by evening.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 20% through morning with cloud generally extensive above 600m. Improving 60% through evening.

**Visibility:** Reduced to a few kilometres in rain and cloud and a few hundred metres in wintry showers later. Otherwise, reasonable visibility on lower slopes.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** 10-12C increasing 15C.
**At 800m:** 6C falling to 2 or 3C through evening.
**Freezing level:** Above summits, falling to 1000-1200m through evening.

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